

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Takashi GOTO et al. : Attn: BOX PCT  
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HEPARIN COFACTOR II PREPARATION  
AND PROCESS THEREFOR  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 3, line 6, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;  
line 36, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --.  
Page 4, line 11, change "treatment" to -- chromatography --.  
Page 5, line 25, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;  
line 29, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;  
line 31, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;  
line 32, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --.  
Page 7, line 10, change "treatment" to -- chromatography --.  
Page 8, line 4, change "treatment" to -- chromatography --.  
Page 12, line 14, change "washed" to -- equilibrated --.  
Page 13, line 17, change "treatment" to -- chromatography --;